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TO IMMEDIATE FCO TELNO 412 OF 18 OCTOBER 1976 488 IMMEDIATE
PRETORIA LUSAKA WASHINGTON UKMIS NEW YORK PRIORITY MAPUTO GABORONE

MY TELNOS 428 AND 409 : RHODESIA

"SUNDAY NEWS" REPORT OF NKOMO/MUGABE PRESS CONFERENCE WAS IN
RELATIVELY LOW KEY. THE SIX DEMANDS IN THE PRESS STATEMENT
WERE NOT DESCRIBED AS PRE-CONDITIONS, BUT AS "DEMANDS THAT
WOULD CREATE A HEALTHY ATMOSPHERE". THERE WAS NO MENTION OF
ANY DEMAND FOR THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE CONFERENCE. THE OPENING
PARAGRAPH SIMPLY STATES "THE AND (ZAPU) AND ZANU WILL BE
REPRESENTED AT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON ZIMBABWE IN TWO WEEKS
TIME BY A JOINT DELEGATION UNDER A JOINT LEADERSHIP".

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